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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

10 JOSEPH LEE BROWN,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 COWLITZ COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT,  
14 *et al.*,

15 Defendants.

No. C09-5656 FDB/KLS

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO  
PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS AND  
DIRECTING INSTITUTION TO  
CALCULATE, COLLECT, AND  
FORWARD PAYMENTS

16 The Court, having reviewed Plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis (Dkt. 1)  
17 does hereby find and ORDER.

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19 Plaintiff's declaration indicates he is unable to afford the court's filing fee or give  
20 security therefor. Accordingly, Plaintiff's application to proceed as a pauper is **GRANTED**. As  
21 set forth below, an initial partial filing fee will be collected, and Plaintiff is required to  
22 make monthly payments of 20 percent of the preceding months income credited to his/her  
23 account until the full amount of the filing fee is satisfied.

24 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 and Plaintiff's approved application to proceed *in forma*  
25 *pauperis*, the agency having custody of the above named Plaintiff is directed to calculate an  
26 initial partial filing fee equal to 20 percent of greater of -- the average monthly deposits to the

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1 prisoner's account or the average monthly balance in the prisoner's account for the 6-month  
2 period immediately preceding the date of this Order. The initial partial filing fee should be  
3 forwarded to the Court Clerk as soon as practicable.

4 Subsequently, if the prisoner's account exceeds \$10.00, each month the agency is  
5 directed to collect and forward payments equal to 20 percent of the prisoner's preceding month's  
6 income credited to the prisoner's account. In the event that the monthly payment would reduce  
7 the prisoner's account below \$10.00, the agency should collect and forward only that amount  
8 which would reduce the prisoner's account to the \$10.00 level. Please note that this \$10.00 limit  
9 does not apply to the initial partial filing fee described above. Finally, the monthly payments  
10 should be collected and forwarded to the court until the entire filing fee (\$350.00) for this matter  
11 has been paid.  
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13 The Clerk is directed to send plaintiff a copy of this Order and the General Order, along  
14 with a copy of Plaintiff's Acknowledgment and Authorization portion of the IFP application to  
15 the attention of the inmate account manager of the Cowlitz County Jail.  
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17 DATED this 23rd day of November, 2009.  
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21 Karen L. Strombom  
22 United States Magistrate Judge  
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